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IN HIS FOREIGN POLICY STATEMENT BEFORE THE CHAMBER
OF DEPUTIES JULY 9, FOREIGN MINISTER VAN ELSLANDE
INCLUDED A PASSAGE ON BELGIAN-ZAIRIAN RELATIONS
WHICH STRESSED DIALOGUE AND THE PROTECTION OF BELGIAN
CITIZENS. VAN ELSLANDE FIRST DECLARED THE BELGIAN
GOVERNMENT' S DESIRE TO RENEW ITS DIALOGUE WITH ZAIRE
AND EXPRESSED THE CONVICTION THAT THE TWO STATES COULD
COOPERATE SUCCESSFULLY. A NEW BELGIAN AMBASSADOR, HE NOTED,
HAD RECENTLY BEEN SENT TO KINSHASA WITH PRECISE
INSTRUCTIONS ON RENEWING THE DIALOGUE. AT THE SAME TIME,
VAN ELSLANDE SAID, THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WILL REMAIN QTE EX-
TREMELY ATTENTIVE UNQTE TO THE WELFARE OF BELGIAN CITIZENS
IN ZAIRE TO QTE ASSURE THAT THEIR INTERESTS ARE TAKEN INTO
CONSIDERATION WHEN THEY ARE AFFECTED BY DECISIONS OF THE LOCAL
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